CHAPTER 2.5.6.

EQUINE PIROPLASMOSIS

Article 2.5.6.1.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the Terrestrial Manual.

Article 2.5.6.2.

Veterinary Administrations of *importing countries* should require:

for equines

the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the animals:

- 1. showed no clinical sign of equine piroplasmosis on the day of shipment;
- 2. were subjected to diagnostic tests for equine piroplasmosis (*Theileria equi* and *Babesia caballi*) with negative results during the 30 days prior to shipment;
- 3. were maintained free from ticks, by preventive treatment where necessary, during the 30 days prior to shipment.

Article 2.5.6.3.

Veterinary Administrations of importing countries should consider the possibility of importing competition horses on a temporary basis and which are positive to the testing procedure referred to in point 2 of Article 2.5.6.2. under the following safeguards:

- 1. the horses are accompanied by a passport in conformity with the model contained in Appendix 4.1.5.;
- 2. the *Veterinary Administrations* of *importing countries* require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the animals:
 - a) showed no clinical sign of equine piroplasmosis on the day of shipment;
 - b) were treated against ticks within the 7 days prior to shipment;
- 3. the horses are kept in an area where necessary precautions are taken to control ticks and that is under the direct supervision of the *Veterinary Authority*;
- 4. the horses are regularly examined for the presence of ticks under the direct supervision of the Veterinary *Authority*.